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## Dear Sir or Madam:

Applicants hereby request that the office use the claims as filed herewith in the substitute specification.

Applicant authorizes the Commissioner to charge or credit any fees to our Deposit Account No.08-1394, Order No. 25791.137.04.

Respectfully submitted,

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